

"The PAIR class is an amazing opportunity full of creativity, talent, role-model instructors, and community involvement. It's a humbling experience."-Teen Artist



"Through PAIR, I found out I was more creative than I thought I was."-Teen Artist



"I like learning how to do things like this, especially the photography; I learned a lot about myself."-Teen Artist

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RECLAIMING FUTURES
Communities helping teens overcome drugs, alcohol & crime

PAIR

(Promising Artists in Recovery)



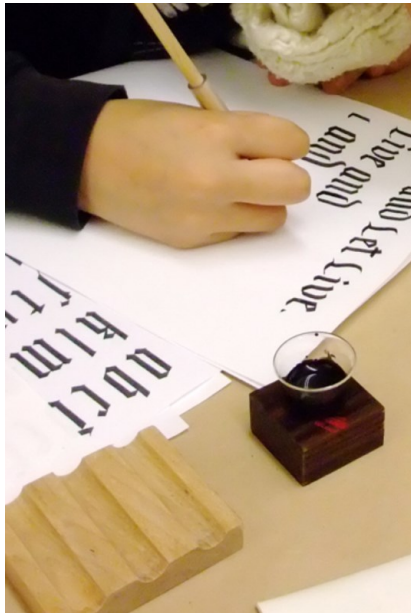
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What is PAIR?

PAIR (Promising Artists in Recovery) is a project that began in 2011 that partners Denney Juvenile Justice Center, the Everett Public Library and Reclaiming Futures with local artists in our area. Program funding is provided by the Blanche Miller Trust and the Howarth Trust. The PAIR program offers an opportunity for juvenile court involved youth to interact with local community artists in a positive manner while building skills, relationships and community connections. These artists share their particular talent with the youth in Snohomish County and lead them in opportunities to create original art works.

Exhibits and other recognition are also a significant aspect of this program. The efforts of this program will be closely linked to other endeavors the court is making to "Reclaim (these) Futures".

Art work will be displayed in public exhibit spaces for a period of one year and then returned to the artists who made them.



Who is eligible?

Any youth that has a chemical dependency diagnoses and is on probation or has opted into Offender Drug Court or At-Risk-Youth Drug Court is eligible to participate with the approval of their Probation Counselor/Coordinator. There is no cost to the youth/family.

Program Requirements

This is a voluntary program and your participation is voluntary; however, if you are scheduled for a session and you are unable to attend the session or unable to attend a particular day of the session, you must contact either your Probation Counselor or the PAIR Coordinator, Henri Wilson.

The youth/parent is responsible for transportation to and from the location, however, we will make every effort to assist if there is a need for transportation.

Why participate in PAIR?

*The delivery of the program is a collaborative effort among the artists, the community, the court, the youth and family.

*This program provides our youth an opportunity to participate in clean and sober activities in our Everett community.

*This is an opportunity for youth to learn new skills and be recognized for their individual efforts. According to juvenile justice literature, this promotes bonding, which helps youth cope with the negative influence of risks they face.

*Studies show that art is a vehicle that can be used to engage youth in activities that will increase competency and self-confidence.

*A recent PAIR program evaluation showed that youth motivation to abstain from drug and alcohol use increased and youth connection to community was strengthened.

